
Case #/Title: DOT-03-2017 - Maricopa County Ordinance Addressing Requirements For Permits To Work In Right-Of-Way Within Unincorporated Maricopa County

TAB Hearing Date: October 19, 2021

Board Hearing Date: December 8, 2021

Supervisor Districts: All

Current County Resolutions: 2001-01 Permits to Work in Dedicated Maricopa County Right of Way
2001-02 Street Improvements, Installation of Utilities and Traffic Control

Proposed Ordinance: MARICOPA COUNTY ORDINANCE ADDRESSING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMITS TO WORK IN RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHIN UNINCORPORATED MARICOPA COUNTY

Background:

In 2017 Maricopa County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) began the process of combining Resolution 2001-01 Permits to Work in Dedicated Maricopa County Right of Way and Resolution 2001-02 Street Improvements, Installation of Utilities and Traffic Control into one Ordinance. This effort was undertaken based upon input from the Development Community regarding conflicting and confusing information contained or addressed in these Resolutions and other standards. The intent of this effort is to lessen the regulatory burden on development while continuing to serve the transportation needs of the region. The following is a summary of the steps taken and results achieved.

Stakeholder: General public and development community

Support/Opposition: No opposition known

Stakeholder input was focused on coordination with the Homebuilders Association of Central Arizona and the Arizona Chapter Associated General Contractors. An initial Stakeholder meeting was held August 8, 2017, to discuss the project and receive input on experiences using or related to the identified Resolutions.

Stakeholders indicated that information or clarification was needed on the following subjects.

- Bonds (development/double payment)
- Conflicts and discrepancies
- Phased acceptance of improvements
- Update current Inspection Guidelines
- Substantial completion versus Final Acceptance

Additional Stakeholder meetings were held, at key points, to ensure MCDOT was meeting expectations. The final coordination meeting was held virtually June, 17, 2021.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

Transportation Advisory Board Recommendation: Approval

Additional Comments:**Objective:**

As the technical team came together to begin the process of reviewing, modifying, and updating the Resolutions the following objectives were identified.

- Perimeter Streets
 - Existing document indicate streets must be built to ultimate improvements
 - Proposed change to determine timing of improvements based upon Traffic Impact Study
- Requirements/Standards located in other documents
 - Remove details of these standards and provide a reference to the standard/document
 - Allows review and update based upon new standards, without re-adoption of Ordinance.

Technical Team:

The Technical Team met multiple times reviewing and researching every detail in the resolutions. Multiple versions have been created, reviewed, revised, and reviewed again. The Team included representatives from the following:

- MCDOT
 - Engineering
 - Permits, Constructions & Inspections
 - Strategic Communications & Outreach
 - Transportation Systems Management
 - Maintenance
- Planning & Development
- County Attorney

Results:

The proposed Ordinance incorporates the following results.

- Combined two documents into one
- Reduced documents from 36 pages to 12 pages
- Definitions added or updated for clarity
- Removed conflicting information
- Removed duplication of standards and provided reference to:
 - MAG Standards
 - Roadway Design Manual
 - Development Ordinance
 - Other regulating documents



Report to the Board of Supervisors

Prepared by the Maricopa County Department of Transportation

Attachments:

Proposed Ordinance

County Resolutions 2001-01 & 2001-02

Transportation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Stakeholder Meeting Minutes & Sign-in Sheet

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